



MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Sachi A. Hamai, Executive Officer-  
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors  
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration  
Los Angeles, California 90012

At its meeting held April 15, 2008, the Board took the following action:

6

Supervisor Burke made the following statement:

“Over the past year, the Board has given significant consideration to the environmental, ecological and economical concerns related to the pervasive use and improper disposal of plastic bags in Los Angeles County, ultimately resulting in the creation of a Single Use Bag Reduction and Recycling Program, as well as direction to our Legislative advocates to pursue a per-bag fee on plastic bags.

“Reusable bags, usually made of cloth or other fiber-based fabric, are the most cost effective and environmentally friendly alternative to single-use bags. Reusable bags have a life span of two to three years and a carrying capacity equivalent to two to four plastic bags. Earth Share has coordinated a nationwide network of this Country’s most respected environmental and conservation organizations to launch a ‘National Reusable Bag Day’ on April 21st, one day before ‘Earth Day.’ The purpose of this day is to bring to the attention of the American people the need to reduce plastic bag consumption in favor of reusable bags.”

Therefore, on motion of Supervisor Burke, seconded by Supervisor Antonovich, unanimously carried (Supervisor Knabe being absent), the Board took the following actions:

1. Proclaimed April 21, 2008 as “National Reusable Bag Day,” to bring attention of the need to reduce plastic bag consumption in favor of reusable bags; and
2. Encouraged County employees to participate and support activities related to this cause.

05041508\_6

Copies distributed:  
Each Supervisor  
All Department/Division Heads